



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Michael S. Colman, et al.
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For IMPROVED RECOVERY OF LINEAR NUCLEIC ACIDS
BY SALT DILUTION AND/OR REDUCED PRESSURE
PRIOR TO CONTINUOUS PRESSURE DIFFERENTIAL
ULTRAFILTRATION
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

I, Michael S. Colman hereby declare:

That I am a now the Research and Development Manager, Virology, Bioprocess Division of Millipore Corporation; that from June 2005 to September 2005, I was the Research and Development Manager, Technology Development, Bioscience Division of Millipore Corporation; that from May 2004 through June 2005, I was the Research and Development Manager, Drug Discovery Applications, Bioscience Division of Millipore Corporation; that from February 2003 to May 2004, I was the Marketing Manager, Protein Research, Life Science Division of Millipore Corporation; that from July 2001 to

February 2003, I was the Research and Development Manager, Genomics & Molecular Biology, Life Science Division of Millipore Corporation; that from July 1999 to July 2001, I was a Consulting Scientist II, Molecular Biology Group, Analytical Division of Millipore Corporation; that from Jun 1998 to May 1999, I was a Postdoctoral Fellow, Laboratory of Molecular Carcinogenesis, National Institute of Environmental Health Science, NIH; and that from September 1994 to May 1998, I was a Postdoctoral Fellow, Cancer Biology Department, of GlaxoWellcome Research & Development;

That I am a graduate of Duke University, from which I hold a Ph.D. degree in microbiology and immunology, and am a graduate of Saint Michael's College, from which I hold a bachelors degree in biology;

That I am a named inventor on two pending United States patent applications in the field of genomics and molecular biology;

That I have authored or co-authored seven peer-reviewed published articles in the field of genomics and molecular biology; and

That I have reviewed the above-referenced patent application as well as the Office Action dated May 24, 2005, and I am familiar with its prosecution and the cited reference, and have made the following observations and conclusions with respect thereto.

I am the inventor of the subject matter being claimed in the present application.

The publication "Multiscreen PCR Plates User Guide", Millipore Corp., 4/2000, is a publication of my own invention, and was published on my behalf by my employer (and assignee of the present application), Millipore Corporation. I am the author of the instructions set forth in the publication, and provided them to Mr. Rick Garretson, who was the product manager of Millipore Corporation at the time. Mr. Garretson had the User Guide published for Millipore Corporation.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of

the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.



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